# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3434
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PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MINOR PORTS .
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the permission from Union Government is necessary for development of minor ports;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the proposals pending for the such permission;

(c) whether any proposal has been received from the State Government of Gujarat for NOC for Hydrographic survey for port development; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and reaction of Government thereto?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (d): Under the Indian Ports Act, 1908 the Central Govt.is responsible for the development of Major Ports. The respective State Governments have overall jurisdiction on Non Major Ports and are responsible for their development and no permission is normally required from the Central Government for development of non-major ports. However, requisite clearances including statutory clearance are required to be taken from the concerned Central Authorities. The Maritime States are also required to take security clearance from the Central Government for the short-listed bidders. As regards the NOC for the Hydrographic survey for port development, Government of Gujarat has informed that they have taken up the matter with respect to the area of Kori Creek, as the said area falls under the Border Security Force sheltered area.